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THE SAME

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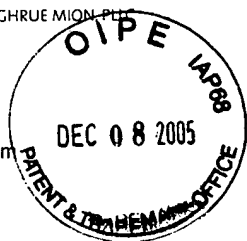
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Dear Mr. Tsuchiya:

In accordance with the instructions in your letter of November 18, 2005, we prepared and filed an Information Disclosure Statement, Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), and a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(d) in the above-identified application. Copies of the papers as filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office are enclosed for your records.

Additionally, please find enclosed our debit note for services and disbursements. We will keep you informed of all further developments with respect to the prosecution of this application. Thank you for allowing us to be of service.

Very truly yours,

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